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FIRST BLOW.

Struck Hard by Japanese,
Who Torpedo Three
Russian Warships.

FIGHTING CONTINUES.

The war has begun dramatically. Patient and impassive as long as hope of peace remained, Japan has struck a vigorous and crushing blow at the very outset of the campaign. Whatever may be the result of the terrible struggle which has now to be fought out the Japanese officers have shown the world that their daring and resource are unbounded.

Port Arthur, the Russian stronghold, wrested from the Chinese in 1898, was the scene of the attack; the time was midnight on Monday.

The Russian fleet lay before the harbour, not in it. They had moved from the inner harbour last week. For Port Arthur is within the region of intense winter cold, and at this time of the year the sheltered waters of the inner port are glazed with a thick sheet of ice.

Grey and ghostly lay the great Leviathans in the freezing midnight gloom. The watch kept seems to have been none of the keenest. Otherwise the Japanese attack could hardly have been so successful.

INFERNO BREAKS FORTH.

Ploughing through the waters of the Gulf of Pallada came the slim, lithe Japanese torpedo boats. Little notice, either from the eye or the ear, do these deadly little boats attract. But little of them shows above the waves, and even that small surface is not easily visible under the dirty grey paint which is Japan's war colour. At a few hundred yards at night the torpedo boat is a mere speck of light at a far distance even the searchlight might fail to reveal its sinister presence.

Steaming with little noise through the frozen night, the flotilla arrived within striking distance. Suddenly there was a roar as if pandemonium had broken loose. To the quiet of night the crash of battle succeeded. The deadly torpedoes, after finding their sinuous way into the midst of the Russian ships, had been fired, with startling effect. The great battleship Tsarewitch, only launched 12 (30) heavily armed and with a displacement of 12,000 tons, was one of the victims. She was one of the ships hurried out to the East during the protracted negotiations. Probably it was not known that she was specially selected for such a task, but it is a piece of grim irony that this sister vessel should be the first injured.

Another damaged battleship was the Retvisan, a sister ship to the Tsarewitch, and the cruiser Pallada was also more or less disabled.

TERrible BATTLE EXPECTED.

News may be expected shortly of a much more terrible encounter. The Japanese fleet is supposed to be making for the Yellow Sea. There it will probably meet the main Russian naval force from Port Arthur, and the most terrific naval engagement of modern times would be the inevitable result.

Japan, we may be sure, will fight hard and well, and victory will probably be hers. But the Russian gunners are said by authorities who should know to be most efficient, and the combat will no doubt be severe and bloody.

ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF'S MESSAGE.

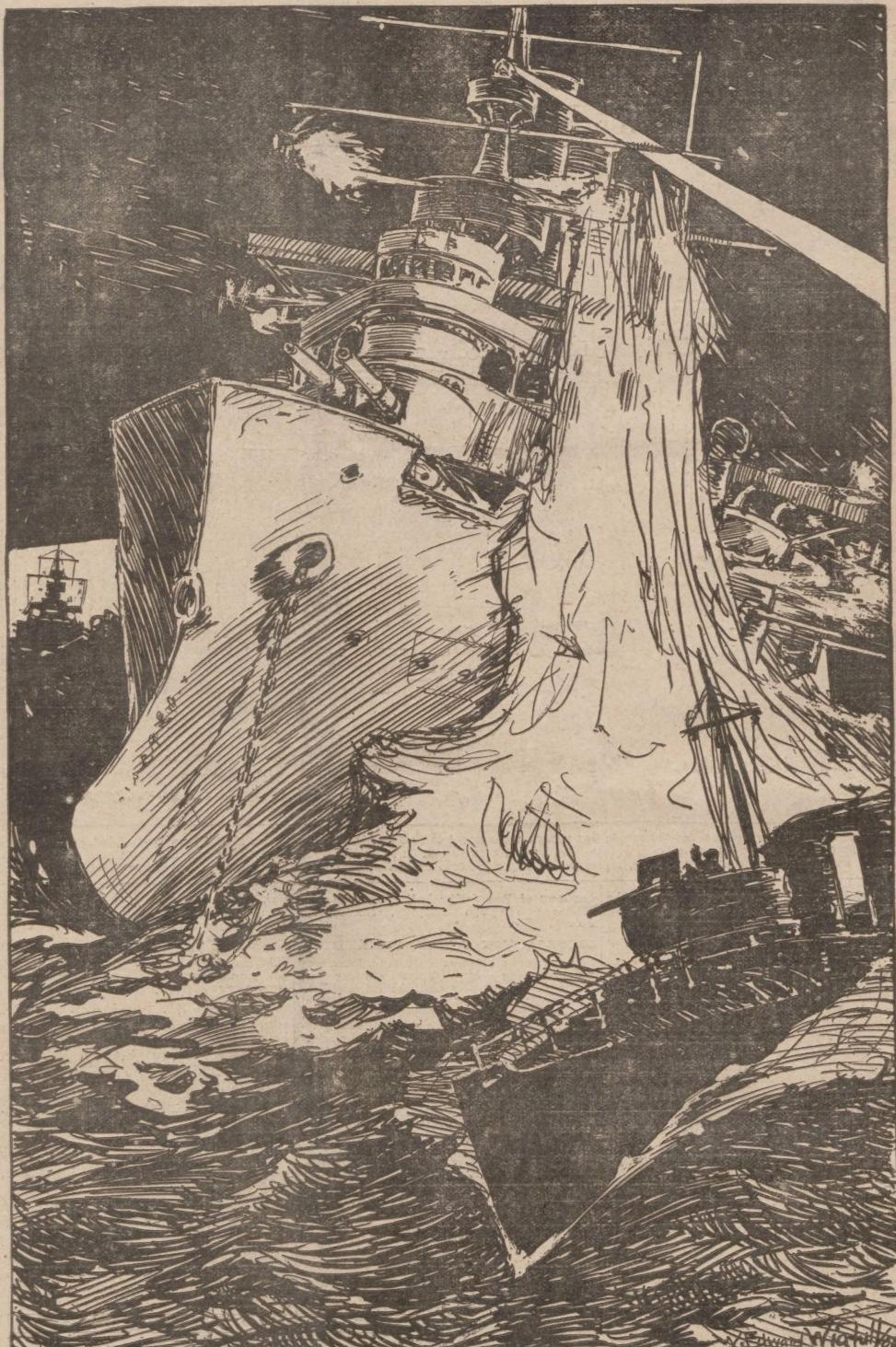
The news of the first bold coup of the Japanese came through St. Petersburg, and was known in London just before ten. It was contained in the following telegram:

"From Admiral Alexeieff, the Russian Viceroy of the Far East, to the Tsar:—'I most respectfully inform your Majesty that at about midnight on the nights of February 8th and 9th, the Japanese torpedo-boats made a sudden attack by means of mines upon the squadron in the outer roads of the harbour of Port Arthur, in which the battleships Retvisan and Csarewitch and the cruiser Pallada were damaged. An inspection is being made to ascertain the character of the damage. Details are following for your Majesty.'—Reuter."

A Central News message speaks of the first encounter as taking place on "Monday afternoon." It adds: "At a quarter to two a number of Japanese torpedo-boats approached the port, and steaming past the entrance, discharged torpedoes at the Russian fleet lying within."

Another telegram via St. Petersburg and Berlin gives practically the same account, with the addition that the port was shelled. Close upon midnight a large fleet of Japanese battleships and cruisers appeared before the port, and it is obvious that none of these cables gives the whole truth. Admiral Alexeieff's message,

RUSSIAN WARSHIP TORPEDOED.



At dead of night on Monday the Japanese torpedo boats crept in to Port Arthur and let loose their torpedoes against the unprepared Russian vessels. The Pallada, a cruiser, sank, and the Retvisan and Tsarewitch, big battleships both, were badly damaged.

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WILL THERE BE TROUBLE WITH FRANCE?

TO-DAY'S NEWS AT A GLANCE.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: Stormy and unsettled generally; rain, hail, and sleet squalls; thunder in places; bright intervals in the south.

Lighting-up time, 6.3 p.m.

Sea Passages will be rough generally.

War has commenced with dramatic suddenness. A Japanese torpedo flotilla torpedoed a Russian squadron outside Port Arthur. The Pallada was sunk, and the battleships Tsarevitch and Retvizan damaged. The situation is such that news of a great engagement may come at any moment.—(Pages 1, 2, and 3.)

Last evening at Windsor Castle the King gave a grand dinner party to the guests assembled for the Royal wedding. The arrangements for to-day's function are described and special illustrations given.—(Pages 8 and 13.)

In the Commons last evening, the debate was resumed on the fiscal question, a number of speeches being made.—(Page 2.)

Mr. Chamberlain, acting on medical advice, will, to his great regret, forego his intention of attending the funeral of his late friend and colleague, Mr. Powell Williams.—(Page 2.)

The death took place yesterday of Mr. Charles Williams, the doyen of war correspondents. Ill-

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which must be accepted as the most reliable, mentions "mines" as the cause of damage, but this must mean torpedoes.

If the Whitehead torpedo—the great porpoise-like engine, propelled by a screw—were used, the "character of the damage" would need little investigation.

It would mean that the ships were either sunk or so put out of action as to be unavailable for service with such means of repairing as Russia has in the Far East.

CRUISER SUNK.

The latest information comes in a Reuter telegram from Paris:—

"According to a telegram received here from St. Petersburg, the Japanese fleet was at some strength, including seventeen armoured vessels."

The cruiser Pallada afterwards sank, and the damage done to battleships Retvizan and Tsarevitch is serious."

STARTLING RUMOUR.

As if the account of the torpedoing were not sufficiently exciting, a most sensational report followed. It was given in the following Reuter message from New York:—

"The following telegram has been received by the Associated Press, dated St. Petersburg, 2.30 Tuesday afternoon:—

"The Russian Admiralty reports that it has received information that eleven Japanese warships and one Russian man-of-war have been sunk during an attack by the Japanese on Port Arthur.

"Seven Russians were killed and many wounded.

"Port Arthur is in flames."

Investigation, however, showed that there was no truth in the statement, though a report of the bom-

Majesty's Theatre, sacred to the Japanese "Darling of the Gods," the enthusiasm was immense.

FRANCE'S ATTITUDE.

Alarming Incident Near the Manchurian Frontier.

So far the attitude of France has been altogether against interference, but there is always a danger of incidents arising to bring her and England into collision.

Some anxiety will be felt over the news in a Reuter Tientsin telegram, dated yesterday:—

"The arrival of a French transport conveying a battalion of troops from Tonkin is hourly expected at Shan-hai-kwan, near the Manchurian frontier, the troops being intended to garrison the forts which are being vacated there by the Russians.

"It is reported that the tricolour was hoisted over the forts this morning, and that the British officer in charge at Shan-hai-kwan protested against any occupation of the place by the French. At present it is stated only a single sentry is guarding the French flag.

FRANCE DESIRES HER ALLY'S SUCCESS.

Considerable attention has been attracted at Paris by an article in the "Temps" last evening,

"France," it declares, "desires the success of her ally with a single heart. Existing treaties do not oblige France to participate in the present

TARIFF DEBATE RESUMED.

Lord George Hamilton Will Not Vote Against His Old Friends.

When the curtain rose for the second performance of the great fiscal drama at Westminster yesterday the Hamlet and Ophelia of the original cast were off the bill. Mr. Chamberlain's absence was generally attributed to his desire to pay a delicate and appropriate tribute to the memory of his late political manager, Mr. Powell Williams; and the Prime Minister was still "down" with influenza. But the lesser lights of the legislative company did their level best to illustrate the proceedings.

One of the earliest participants in the debate was a keen-witted lawyer, he did his best to submit the Government to a searching cross-examination. In quiet, conversational tones he "wanted to know" whether their policy excluded taxes on food except for revenue?

"Yes," replied the Prime Minister's brother.

Sir Robert next asked whether our present system of free imports was to be continued unless in case where it was found necessary to retaliate.

"Yes," said the President of the Board of Trade.

The learned member for Dumfries Burghs put a third question. Were the Government opposed to protective duties, and had they heard the last of Colonial preference?

The occupants of the Treasury Bench remained silent, but Mr. Wyndham, occupying the Prime Minister's seat, a red blotting-pad upon his knee, picked up his pen and commented to write.

Dozens rose to speak as Sir Robert Reid sat down, but it was the newly-elected member for Ludlow who caught the Speaker's eye. The latest Parliamentary recruit is evidently a humourist.

A NEW HUMOURIST.

With large sheets of white foolscap before him he waxed learned on the fiscal system of Honolulu. Then, turning to matters of more domestic interest, he touched a fresh phase of the fiscal problem by bewailing "the fresh importation of broken stones" from—the Government Blue-books.

When the House had recovered its gravity, Sir Henry Fowler sprang to his feet. The very exception the ex-Cabinet Minister usually receives from the advanced wing of the Opposition made him warm, responsive, even as, point by point, he took up the Free Trade brief, and named his argument home with the force of a special pleading.

The action of the Government was a sufficient manoeuvre to secure a Party success in the division. The police was now represented by Mr. Ritchie and his colleagues resigned simply on a question of retaliation? The Government might, if they could, carry out the policy of the member for West Birmingham, and believed it to be the best policy for the Government, the country, and the Conservative Party.

The man who voted against the amendment concluded Sir Henry, was committed to protectionism.

Rising for the first time since his departure from the Cabinet, Lord George Hamilton resisted the idea that there had been a mistake about his resignation but even if that misunderstanding could have been removed he certainly would not have remained in the cabinet after the Prime Minister's speech at Sheffield.

The free-fooders cheered approvingly.

But at the end the noble member for Ealing climbed down (of course, metaphorically).

"Though I agree with every word of the amendment I cannot vote against my old friends."

The Government Whips beamed with delight.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S MOVEMENTS.

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The "Little Father" of the Russian people has always endeavoured to enforce his wish that peace should be preserved, but, in spite of many conferences, public and private, he has been unable, even though he is by tradition a despot, to prevent hostilities. The picture, which is drawn from a photograph, represents an important conference that took place at a parade of troops at St. Petersburg.

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To-day's Arrangements.

Marriage of Princess Alice of Albany and Prince Alexander of Teck, St. George's Chapel, Windsor. Queen Victoria Clergy Fund. Lord Mayor and Sheriffs attend Festival Service, St. Paul's Cathedral, 4.

Irish Industries Association. Lady Londonderry presided at a meeting of the London General Committee, Londonderry House, 12.

Oxford University Dramatic Society: Production of "As You Like It."

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THE RUSSIAN STRONGHOLD—SCENE OF THE MIDNIGHT SURPRISE.



Port Arthur has had an exciting history; it was taken after siege by the Japanese in the war of 1895, and was seized by the Tsar's warships from China's feeble grasp in 1898.

VISCOUNTESS HAYASHI.

Type of the Loving but Spirited Women of Japan.

The mothers of Japan have their representative in Viscountess Hayashi, the graceful wife of the Japanese Ambassador. If she is a typical Japanese mother, then the little ladies in the Far East must be the most loving tender-hearted women in the world.

They are veritable Spartans in the time of war. "Come back victorious, my son," they say, "or do not come back at all."

It is a glory to have had a son who laid down his life for his country.

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Viscountess Hayashi's own son is not a soldier and studies electricity at University College.

As a greatest personal interest in current events, and follows the newspaper accounts of the Far Eastern

countries very closely. She takes an almost personal interest in journalism also, for her only daughter

is married to Mr. Fukuzawa, proprietor-editor of Japanese daily paper, the "Jiji

Shimbun."

Her little daughter, a dark-eyed, merry little girl, is being educated over here

in the care of her grandmother, Miss Fukuzawa, in the Embassy; she rules her

discreetly with a rod of iron, and is adored by

the attachés, whose ambition is to speak English with her fluency.

"But she has been brought up as an English child, and that makes all the difference," said one Japanese gentleman yesterday, as he watched the imperious little lady saunter forth with her governess, and he added, "She is so nice a little girl, though

she can talk quickly."

have ten per cent. interest in the reef itself. That agreement being concluded, the defendants or the Bell Syndicate sold the property over and over again, and received for that and other mines many thousands of pounds' worth of shares, which were, at the time they received them, of a higher value than par, and one would have thought there ought to have been nothing left to be done but to come to terms with the plaintiff, to pay him the money he was entitled to, and a fair amount for his interest in the property.

Counsel went on to refer to the defence raised, and at the conclusion of his address the plaintiff went into the witness-box.

His counsel then almost immediately announced that a settlement had been arrived at, the defendants agreeing to judgment being entered for the plaintiff for £600 and costs.

SEA-PASSAGE ACROSS SCOTLAND.

A survey has just been completed for a proposed ship canal connecting the Firth and Clyde. A similar scheme was put forward some years ago, but was dropped owing to lack of sufficient financial support. Now, however, that a naval base has been established at Rosyth the plan has gained additional importance, in view of its value from an Admiralty as well as a commercial standpoint, and it is expected that it would have the support of a third defendant.

Mr. Abel Thomas, opening the case, said the plaintiff was a mining engineer, and in 1892, then being a youth of seventeen years of age, he was in South Africa. In that year he entered into an agreement with Mr. Kennedy, who was the agent and manager of the Bell Syndicate. The agreement was admitted, and by it the plaintiff was to have £50 down, which was paid, on the flotation of a company to work the plaintiff's claims to the Panhalanga Reef, a sum of £250, which had not been paid, and in addition was to

THE FEET OF OUR IDOLS.

Have Present-day Women Larger Feet Than Their Mothers?

Further investigation of this momentous question propounded in our yesterday's issue is largely in the affirmative.

Physical exercise has undoubtedly enlarged the feet of Englishwomen.

The tiny foot of the high-born English lady, celebrated in poetry and in song, is a thing of the past.

Tramping on the moors with the guns, playing golf and hockey, has produced a race of women whose powers of endurance and strength would surprise the "featherweight" of the preceding generation, and these athletic ladies have naturally larger feet.

A fashionable Bond-street bootmaker, seen by "Miss Mirror," said: "The American girl has a shorter, stouter foot than her English sister. It is more highly arched and the heel is smaller, it more resembles the foot of the French girl. But in England, France, and America alike there is a distinct increase in length, amounting, during the last five years, to a rise of a size all round."

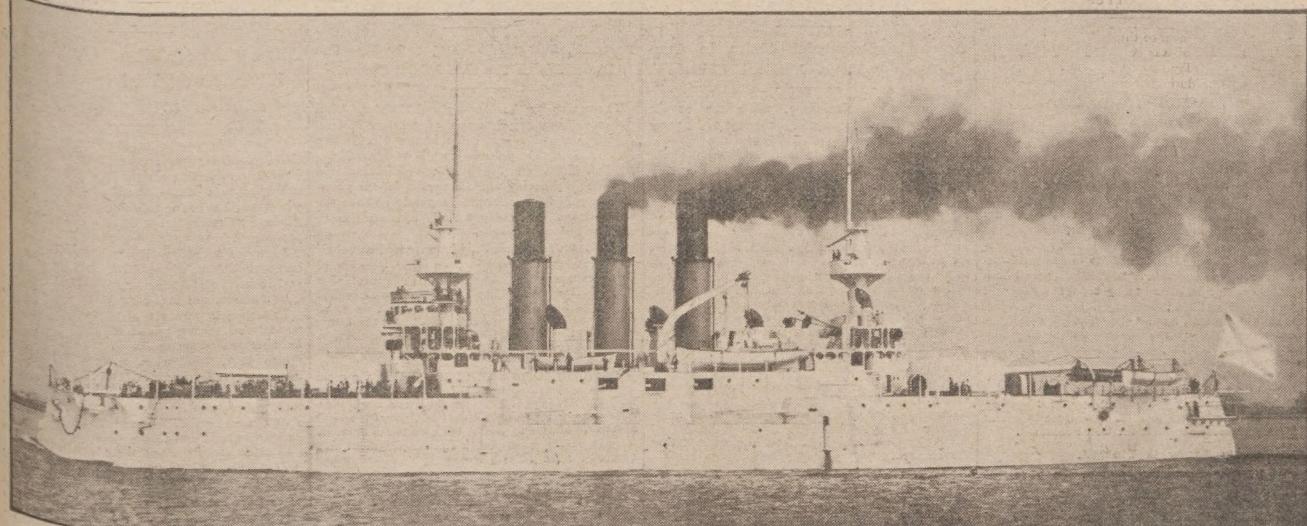
The bootmaker spoke almost sadly of the change, but a doctor, who is a specialist of physical culture, hailed it with delight. He admires the girl who indulges in natural exercises and games, who is obliged to wear a reasonably comfortable boot.

"Women now think," he continued, "more of the beauty of their feet than the size, as in days gone by. There is nothing more beautiful than a perfectly-formed foot, with all its contours unmarred. The tiny foot has gone, but evidently there is no reason why it should be regretted."

Mr. Finnigan, the Belfast coroner, has a bad opinion of dock labourers. He, during the course of an inquest, said that in his experience they were all of more or less drunken habits.

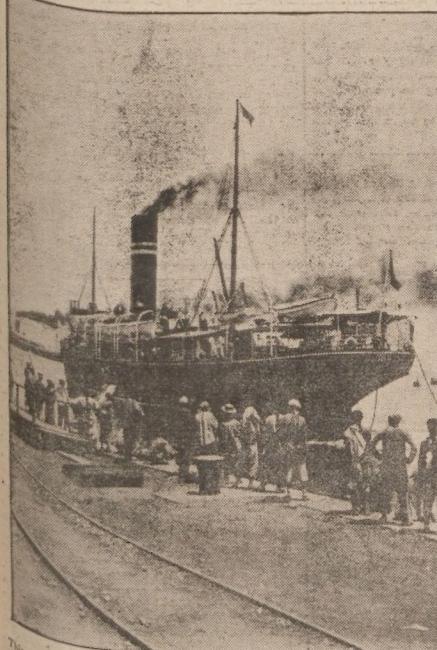
ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF WIRES BAD NEWS TO THE TSAR.

ONE OF THE RUSSIAN BATTLESHIPS INJURED BY THE JAPANESE TORPEDOES.



At midnight on Monday nine Japanese torpedo boats suddenly attacked the Russian squadron in the outer roads of Port Arthur. This large battleship, the Retvisan, of 12,700 tons, was one of the three damaged.

A RUSSIAN MERCHANT SHIP SEIZED.



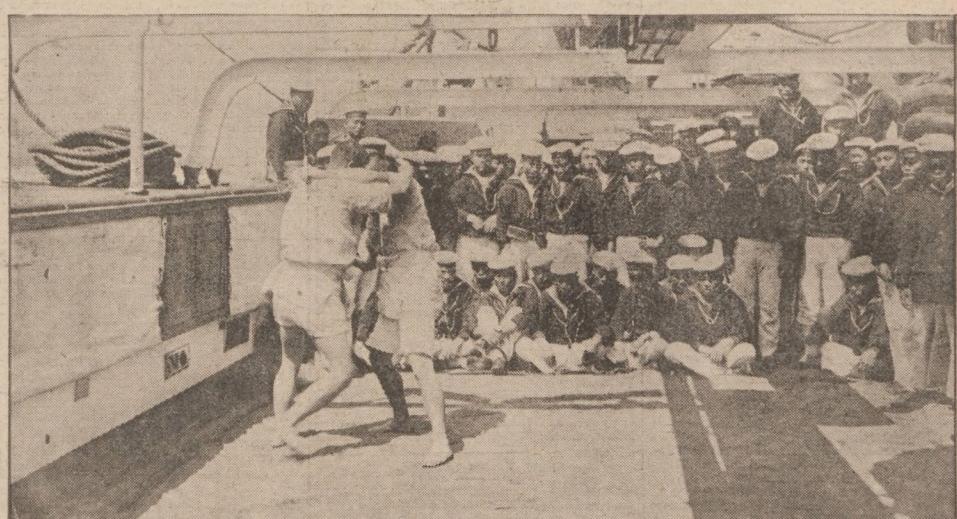
This merchant vessel, the Manchuria, from Shanghai, among others was taken possession of last Saturday by Japanese marines. This was an act of retaliation on the side of Japan because Russian troops had been marched to the Yalu River, thus threatening Northern Korea. [Underwood & Underwood]

WHERE JAPANESE TROOPS ARE NOW.



This is the market-place of Chemulpho, the muddy harbour of Korea, where the Japanese have landed their troops. Fighting may any day desolate the hitherto happy but slow-going town.

WRESTLING ON BOARD A "JAP" BATTLESHIP.



The little "Japs" are great wrestlers, the sailors on the warships being no exception to the national rule. In Japan there is a secret system for the sport, called Jujitsu, which is the art of defeating an opponent by giving way and studying the theory of balance. Hackenschmidt would be powerless in the grasp of a Jujitsu expert who held him properly by the wrist. [R. T. H. Haiger]



ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF.
From him, the telegram to the Tsar announcing the Japanese torpedo attack on Monday which began the war. The admiral has greater powers than were ever given before in war time to a man of his rank.

YESTERDAY'S LAW AND POLICE.

THE MERITS OF BROWN HAY

King's Bench Court VIII. is Again the Rendezvous of Visitors from the Country.

Many Londoners anxious to obtain a whiff of the country without the expense and trouble of going out of town paid a visit yesterday to King's Bench Court VIII., where the great hay case is, to use an appropriate haymaking metaphor, in full swing.

By the large company of farmers and forage merchants who have taken a trip to town as expert witnesses very little attention is paid to the legal technicalities of the libel action being brought by Messrs. Underwood and Co., formerly forage contractors to the Government, against the "Daily Chronicle." It is rather as the scene of a most interesting hay conversations that they regard Court VIII., than as a tribunal which is deciding how far a newspaper can comment on the fact that a contractor has been struck of the Government list.

A most engrossing point about hay, or "ay," as many in court prefer to term it in their technical language, arose soon after the Court resumed.

The Rustic Fancy is Tickled.

Mr. H. T. Underwood, one of the principals of the plaintiff firm, gave evidence, and, after describing the history of his company's contracting relations with the Government, began to dilate on the merits of brown hay compared to that of other varieties. He admitted that the War Office did not like brown hay.

Mr. Lawson Walton: Why?

Mr. Underwood: I suppose for the same reason that some people do not like brown meat. They prefer it underdone.

This joke of Mr. Underwood's tickled the fancy of the rustic part of the assembly immensely, and bucolic laughter filled the court.

To assist him in answering Mr. Lawson Walton's cross-examination Mr. Underwood extracted a piece of hay from a little model bale that he had taken into the witness-box with him, and stuck it into the corner of his mouth in approved market square style.

Mr. Lawson Walton, returning to the subject of brown hay, remarked that the hay was for the horses, not for the War Office.

"Yes," retorted Mr. Underwood, "and if you had only asked the horses they would have said that they preferred brown hay." (More bucolic and other laughter.)

Mr. Walton proceeded to point out blandly to the witness that many adverse comments were made in other papers besides the "Daily Chronicle" about the hay supplied for war purposes by Bennetts, the firm controlled by Underwood's that was struck off the War Office list.

"I had a time," agreed Mr. Underwood, "that I would not wish my worst enemy to have."

He added that, in his opinion, the newspapers had all lost their heads.

A Terrible Suggestion.

"There was a suggestion of fraud, was there not?" asked Mr. Walton.

Mr. Underwood (emphatically): Worse than that—there was a suggestion of murder.

In answer to Mr. Walton's query why the "Daily Chronicle" was selected to be sued, Mr. Underwood replied that the turn of the "Times" might come very soon.

Still very bland, Mr. Walton recalled the circumstances that there had been a demand that contractors struck off the list should be prosecuted. To this Mr. Underwood forcibly rejoined: "Yes, it was a damnable shame." But the War Office were sympathetic, he added.

The witness assessed the damage done to his firm by the "Daily Chronicle" articles since they appeared two years ago at £6,000 loss profit and £50,000 lost orders.

In the early part of the day Mr. Brown, Messrs. Underwood's manager, explained why it was that he wrote to a Mr. Brown, from whom some of the condemned hay had originally come, describing it as "rubbish" and "muck." He was only "bluffing," or "telling the tale," to Mr. Brown, he said.

Major Cossie, the Government inspector, who rejected part of the hay, called as a witness for Underwood's, said that it was a very fair shipment. The case was again adjourned.

CHARWOMAN'S DIAMOND DUST.

At Bow-street yesterday Alice Maud Fraser, a charwoman living apart from her husband at Fulwood's-rente, Holborn, summoned the Commissioner of Police (represented by Detective-sergeant Davis) to show cause why he should not deliver to her a diamond stud, value £8 or £10, in his possession.

The claimant said that at about midnight on January 28 last year she was leaving the Charing Cross post-office and trod on something which she at first thought was a glass button. Next day she took it to a jeweller to ascertain if it was of any value, but he, seeing that it was a real diamond stud, detained it and handed it over to the police.

Detective-sergeant Davis said the stud had been in the possession of the police for twelve months. Advertisements had been inserted in several newspapers, but no claimant had come forward.

An order was made for the stud to be given up to the finder.

SPOILT HIS OWN CASE.

Judge Bacon, sitting at Whitechapel County Court yesterday, was concerned with a claim made by a Jewess against an alien for a small sum in respect of goods supplied. In an agreement between the parties occurred the word "cavare," and defendant, who pleaded that he did not speak English, said he could not explain its meaning. The court interpreter described the word as a corruption of the word "cover," and signified in this instance defendant's promise to meet the debt.

Judge Bacon (the defendant): Now, you must pay them.

Defendant: 'Ow much I pay?' (Laughs.) His Honour: Ah! You can speak English. Pay £s. a month.

"TRIP TO JAPAN."

Actress's Successful Claim in Connection with a Musical Sketch.

By a quaint coincidence, while the outside world was full of Japan and the doings of Japanese torpedo-boats, a law suit, in which a musical sketch, entitled "A Trip to Japan," supplied the matter in dispute was being tried in the Law Courts by Mr. Justice Lawrence and a common jury.

Mrs. Ethel Abel, an actress, who is now playing at the Walthamstow Palace Theatre and the Paragon Theatre, sued Mr. Buckland, an actor, for £200, which she contended was due from him as he had purchased the scenery and acting rights of the above-mentioned sketch.

Mr. Buckland, who was a chorister in Mrs. Abel's company when she toured with the piece herself, retorted that when he offered to make the purchase he was not aware that another lady, a friend of Mrs. Abel, had a charge of £200 on the sketch.

Mrs. Abel, a lady of imposing presence, gave evidence, and was supported by her husband, who is now playing in the same piece with her—"Three of a Kind."

The jury awarded Mrs. Abel the amount that she claimed.

INDIFFERENT SPECTATORS.

Volunteer, Guard, and Postman Fail in a Manifest Duty.

James Roman, a young labourer, living in Brixton, was charged before Mr. Garrett, at the South-Western Police Court, with violently assaulting Police-constables Buck 711 W and Dean 567 W.

The disturbance arose on account of the prisoner visiting a public-house in Clapham High-street in an intoxicated condition.

The prisoner struggled desperately with the constable, and, having thrown him to the ground, kicked him about the body. The other constable was quickly on the scene, and he, too, met with similar treatment.

There was a crowd of about a hundred persons, but, beyond being interested spectators of the struggle, they all, with one exception, showed complete indifference. John Foster, a carpenter, of Earlsfield-road, Wandsworth, was prompt in rendering the constables aid, and endeavoured also to enlist other assistance, but the crowd seemed hostile, and refused.

He in turn, called on a Volunteer in uniform, then a railway guard, and, finally, on a postman, but they each refused to give a helping hand.

Mr. Garrett commended Foster for his praiseworthy conduct, and remanded the prisoner for inquiries as to his antecedents.

COMPANY SECRETARY'S SUICIDE.

At Greenwich yesterday Mr. H. R. Oswald, South-East London Coroner, held an inquest on the body of Mr. John Duncan, F.I.A., aged 61, residing at Blackheath, who committed suicide at his residence early on Saturday morning.

Mr. Duncan was the secretary and actuary of the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, Ltd., and the Clergy Pensions Insurance, whose offices are at Hastings House, Norfolk-street, Strand.

One of Mr. Duncan's sons, a student at the Bar, gave evidence of identification. He said that his father had been exceedingly nervous lately, and seemed to worry over things. He had also suffered a great deal from insomnia. On Friday night, after having had a smoke, he went to bed in the usual way. On Saturday morning he found his father hanging by a piece of cord in one of the rooms of the house. He left nothing to indicate why he should have taken his life.

Mr. Charles Thompson, chief clerk to the company of which Mr. Duncan was secretary, said the latter had nothing to worry about. His business and private affairs were in perfect order.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide during temporary insanity.

CIGARETTE MAKER'S CHEQUE.

George Henry Ramsford, twenty-four, a clerk, living in Gower-street, Euston-road, was charged at Marlborough-street, yesterday, with stealing a cheque for £97, belonging to Herman Marx, a cigarette manufacturer, of Airstreet, Finsbury.

Detective Bowden said that he arrested the prisoner, who when told the charge, replied: "I did take the cheque, and have been to Berlin and changed it. I have only about £4 left out of it. I can't make out being charged with stealing it, as Mr. Marx has promised not to charge me, but agreed to let me pay it back as best I could." Prisoner, it appeared, was sent to cash the cheque, and later told to forward it to Berlin. This he failed to do. He was remanded.

BAILIFF APPROPRIATES BAIL.

At the Old Bailey yesterday Frederick Henry John Wrenzel, a bailiff attached to Brompton County Court, was brought up for sentence, having been found guilty last session of fraudulent conversion of property.

It was alleged against the prisoner that he was entrusted with £25 for the purpose of bailing out a person who was lodged in Holloway Gaol and that he appropriated the greater part of it to his own use. The prisoner, who was given a good character, was now set off with a month's hard labour, to date from the last session.

NEW KING'S COUNSEL.

The following recently created King's Counsel were yesterday called within the Bar at the Royal Courts of Justice:—Sir K. E. Digby, Mr. A. D. Adrian, Mr. F. R. Y. Radcliffe, Mr. J. W. Clark, Mr. C. M. Le Breton, Mr. H. T. Kemp, Mr. G. Cave, Mr. W. J. Waugh, Mr. R. B. D. Acland, Mr. E. H. Lloyd, Mr. A. C. Salter, Mr. A. M. Langdon, and Mr. S. C. H. Bushe.

EXPEDITING AN APPEAL.

Formal Judgment Entered for the Plaintiffs in the £150,000 Claim.

The action by the Denaby and Cadeby Main Collieries Company against the Yorkshire Miners' Association and others came before Mr. Justice Lawrence again yesterday, when Mr. Eldon Banks, K.C., on behalf of the plaintiffs, said that the jury having found a verdict for the plaintiffs he asked for a formal judgment and for the appointment of a day for the consideration of the question of damages.

Mr. Rufus Isaacs, K.C., who appeared on behalf of the Miners' Association, said the question of damages was a most serious one, as it involved a sum of £150,000. What he proposed with regard to it was that he should give notice at once, so that there should be no delay, to move the Court of Appeal. Under those circumstances he thought the better course would be to await the decision in the appeal.

Mr. Rufus Isaacs went on to say that the most important question was that with regard to the question of conspiracy, and therefore until they obtained the view of the Court of Appeal it would be a waste of time to discuss the question of amount.

To expedite an appeal a formal judgment was entered for the plaintiffs.

CABMAN'S UNCERTAINTY.

Is he to be Considered a "Common Carrier" or Not?

A cab-driver who does not properly secure luggage on the top of his cab is guilty of gross negligence, said Judge Edge, in giving a judgment for £21 12s. 6d. against the Improved Cat Company.

The case was brought by Mrs. Kate Tiedge, who recovered a cab belonging to the company to drive her from St. Pancras Station to Canobury, to recover the value of luggage lost during the journey.

A Daily Illustrated Mirror representative yesterday learned that the case is to be carried to the Court of Appeal, as the question of responsibility for stolen luggage is, from the cabman's point of view, not at all clear.

A driver of many years' standing told the Daily Illustrated Mirror reporter that the cabmen rely on a judge's decision to the effect that they are "common carriers," but Judge Edge has ruled that they are not. This is the point to be finally settled.

If a cabman comes under the Carriers Act, then the maximum compensation that can be claimed is £10 for loss or damage.

Cabby thinks that if he is called upon to carry more valuable property he should be paid some increase in fare for the additional responsibility.

ADVICE TO A SON.

At Southwark Police Court yesterday John Guest, 30, general dealer, of Blue Anchor-lane, Peckham, and Albert Lord, 23, greengrocer, of Dale-street, Walworth, were charged on remand before Mr. Cecil Chapman with being concerned together in stealing and receiving a pony and cart, value £9, the property of Robert William Thompson, general dealer, of Emmet's-yard, Waterloo-road.

The case was completed for trial, and a question arose as to whether Lord should have bail.

Detective-sergeant Waters, L Division, said Lord had written to his parents threatening to do away with himself, and another officer produced a letter, which the magistrate read.

It was from Lord's father, at Rugby, replying to the prisoner's threat of suicide, and it contained the following exhortation:—"Never say die! I am sorry one of my sons should be such a coward as to threaten to do himself in. Let me hear no more such idle threats, but buck up. Never let it be said your mother bred a jibber."

The accused were committed for trial, bail being allowed.

EX-INSPектор'S SON SENTENCED.

John Walsh, twenty-nine, gymnastic instructor, at one time employed at the Kennington School of Arms, pleaded guilty at Clerkenwell Sessions yesterday to several charges of theft, and was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Although well brought up by his father—a pensioned inspector of the Metropolitan Police—the prisoner, it was stated, had been turned out of the Army, had associated with bad characters and criminals, and had undergone three years' penal servitude for being concerned in a highway robbery.

He valued these documents, he said, and should probably frame them so that they might be handed down to his posterity as evidence of his determination not to pay a sectarian rate. It was the second time he had been summoned to that court, but he should always refuse to pay.

ANTI-VACCINATOR'S THEORY.

In applying to Mr. Hopkins at Lambeth Police Court yesterday for a certificate exempting his infant child from vaccination, a man asserted that small-pox was no longer the terror it was.

Mr. Hopkins: That is because of vaccination.

Applicant: Vaccination kills more people than small-pox.

A certificate was granted.

To a cook who pleaded at Clerkenwell County Court yesterday that she had to undergo special medical treatment and could not spare the money with which to pay a debt, Judge Edge said: "You must not go in for expensive treatment. Everyone who owed money might plead expensive treatment of some ailment or other as the cause of non-payment."

WITHOUT REFERENCES.

Alien Thief Who Obtained a Situation as Waiter and Stole £2,135 in Bank Notes.

Robert Schwartz, alias Hartinger, twenty-two, a clerk, pleaded guilty at the Clerkenwell Sessions yesterday to having stolen £2,135 in bank-notes, belonging to a Mrs. Catherine Madeline Burnell, whilst staying at a boarding-house in Sinclair-gardens, Kensington. Mr. W. H. Leyester prosecuted.

According to information gathered by Detective Inspector Collins, of the T Division, the prisoner's real name is Robert Hartinger. He is the son of a stonemason, and hails from Nuremberg, Bavaria.

Following in turn the occupation of a porter, and then a pedlar in printed matter for business houses, he conducted himself respectfully up to July, 1902, when a warrant was issued for his arrest for fraud at Munich. That warrant remained unexecuted, for the prisoner evaded capture, and came to England in September, 1902. As a fugitive, he was assisted by the German farm in Herfordshire. He remained there two months, and then returned to the Continent.

After he secured employment as a waiter at Dusseldorf, and disappeared after borrowing money. In March, 1903, he came back to England and obtained situations as a waiter through a reference office for foreigners without producing references.

Borrowed Plumes.

At one place some of the boarders' clothing was missed, and in its place the prisoner's worn out apparel was left. Afterwards he was employed at No. 19, Sinclair-gardens, and from there he absconded with the prosecutrix's notes on December 26.

He posted £2,055 of the stolen notes to a woman, named Thaller, living in Bavaria. She is the prisoner's sister, and her husband, a carpenter, is still under arrest at Munich.

When arrested, these two had £1,750 worth of the notes and some 900 marks in their possession. They had cashed three of the £100 notes at Munich. There an inexperienced assistant to a money-changer mistook them for £10 notes, and only paid £30 instead of £300.

Altogether the amount of money recoverable, the detective said, would seem to be about £2,100, so that the prosecutrix would be the actual loser of between £30 and £40 only.

Mr. McConnell, K.C., sentenced the prisoner to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.

PLUCKY GIRL'S CAPTURE.

Thomas Griffin, aged thirty-six, a labourer, of 12, Pascal-street, Wandsworth-road, was charged before Mr. Garrett at the South-Western Police Court yesterday with stealing two loaves of bread from the shop of Herman Schindewolffs, a German baker, of Currie-street, Nine Elms.

The prisoner walked into the shop and coolly took the loaves from the shop window, and was proceeding to walk away with them when the prosecutor's daughter, a girl about thirteen years of age, went after him for payment.

He made an effort to escape but she seized hold of the man's coat-tails and held on tightly until a constable arrived.

In defence the prisoner pleaded that starvation drove him to take the bread.

Mr. Garrett directed a remand.

STRAINING THE ACT.

Mr. Ronald Ernest Todd, a medical student, living at Penynew-road, Earl's Court, appealed at West London Police Court yesterday on a charge of wilfully damaging the highway in Pudding-pond road, Shepherd's Bush. A constable said he saw the defendant strapping at the pavement with a garden fork.

Mr. Rose: Really? It is straining the Act of Parliament to charge such persons with wilful damage. These cases are too insignificant, and I don't feel called upon to deal with them. You are discharged.

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PICTURES OF ROYAL PEOPLE AND PLACES

THE ROYAL WEDDING.

Preparations at Windsor's Stately
Pile for To-day's Ceremony.

Yesterday the storm flag on the top of the round tower hung limp on the tall pole throughout the day. The grey walls of the historic castle had a storm-beaten appearance, and the King and Queen and their royal and distinguished guests were unable to leave the castle for the greater part of the day. At 10.30 the Coldstream Guards band marched with the palace guard into the grand quadrangle, and played a pleasing selection of music, chosen by the King, under the windows of their Majesties' apartments. The royal guests listened to the band, and also looked out of the great palace windows on to the flooded country, which resembles a huge lake.

In the afternoon the Mayor of Windsor, Mr. William Shipley, proceeded to the Castle and presented to Princess Alice, on behalf of the townspeople, a beautiful half-hoop diamond bracelet, the stones being twelve in number and of large size and purity. It was enclosed in a specially made case, embossed with the borough arms. The Mayor, in making the presentation, wished Princess Alice every happiness and prosperity in her new life. The Princess appeared to be extremely delighted with the handsome gift, and returned thanks in a charming little speech.

The arrangements at St. George's Chapel were completed yesterday. Down the marble steps from the western entrance a covered way of about 13ft. wide has been constructed, and there is also a pavilion at the foot of the steps, forming a shelter for the carriages from which the King and Queen and the Prince and Princess will alight upon their arrival from the Palace. The entrance is beautifully decked



After the wedding ceremonies are over the royal pair will go to Brocket Hall, which has been lent by Lord Mount Stephen. The Hall is one of Lord Cowper's places, and has been used only during the last thirty-five years, as Panshanger. Lord Cowper's other family seat, is only a few miles away.



THE LATE DUKE OF ALBANY.
Photo by] The father of the bride. [Maull & Fox.



THE DUCHESS OF ALBANY,
The mother of the bride. She lives at Claremont,
Esher, Surrey, and Villa Nevada, Cannes.
[Photo by Maull & Fox.]



THE LATE DUKE OF TECK,
the father of the bridegroom.
[Photo by Russell and Son.]



THE LATE DUCHESS OF TECK,
The mother of the bridegroom.

WHERE THE HONEYMOON WILL BE SPENT.



St. George's Chapel, in Windsor Castle, where the marriage will be solemnised, and where the father and mother of the bride were married twenty-two years ago.

be able to see the procession come down Castle Hill and disappear under Henry the Eighth's Gateway. If it rains, however, people will be much better off at home, as they will be able to see and read in the *Daily Illustrated Mirror* the next day all about the beautiful ceremony. The King gave a grand dinner-party last night, at which all the royal wedding guests were present.



PRINCESS MARY OF
the daughter of the present Duke
of York, is to be
bridesmaids.

"...men, an experienced
traveler, all is in order for the pass-
enger trains, all shunting operations on the
line are suspended," and are re-
ady to resume as soon as the
train has passed, and all trains are
running again.

PROMINENT IN TO-DAY'S WINDSOR WEDDING.

THE BRIDEGROOM—



H.R.H. Prince Alexander Augustus Frederick William George of Teck was born at Kensington Palace in 1874, and was educated at Eton and Sandhurst. He was mentioned in dispatches for his services in Matabeleland, and in South Africa he won the D.S.O. [Stuart.]

Lord Mount Stephen,
is Panshanger. Lord
that to-day will show a silver
ouds that overhung the Castle
It only requires the gilding
to complete the enjoyment
witness a brilliant procession
mony.

RETT'S NEW COMEDY.
Rett's new comedy, "In the
theatres with marked success at
times the spacious times

3 HELD.



He will be solemnised, and
twenty-two years ago.
[Photo by Russell & Sons.]

I the countryside of Shakespeare,
by inclination, Mr. Wilson
enters into the spirit of his own
rol of Terence Kanturk Spring.
superb performance distinguished
hitherto unsuspected, while in the
mental parts he is naturally well

and firemen, an experienced traffic inspector
always travels on this engine in order to ensure
that all is in order for the passing of the royal
train. All shunting operations on the lines or sidings
are suspended thirty minutes before the royal
train is due, he said, and are not resumed until
it has passed, and all trains and light engines,
except passenger trains, running over the adjacent

AND HIS BRIDE.



Princess Alice Mary Victoria Augusta Pauline of Albany is nearly twenty-one years of age. The 25th of February is her birthday. She is one of the prettiest of our royal ladies. She will wear a simple wedding dress of satin charmeuse. [Photo by Stuart.]

HOW ROYAL TRAINS ARE RUN.
An Interesting Account of the Precautions Taken to Ensure Safety.

For the past ten days the London and South Western, Great Western, and South Eastern and Chatham Railways have been "working overtime" in view of to-day's royal wedding at Windsor.

Very many royal trains are to be run, and precautions even greater than usual have been taken by the principal officers of the railway companies to safeguard the royal guests.

Mr. Henry Holmes, the superintendent of the Daily Illustrated Mirror that a pilot engine in advance preceded the royal train by ten minutes throughout its journey, and, in addition to the

line or lines are stopped at convenient sidings and stations fifteen minutes before the royal train is due.

"At all 'facing' points over which the royal



PRINCESS MARY OF WALES.
She is one of the bridesmaids, and the only daughter
of the Prince and Princess of Wales.
[Photo by F. Ralph.]

train will pass reliable men are provided by the company's chief engineer, a clear thirty minutes before the royal train is due, to carefully watch

the points and see that they are in good condition.

"The locomotive engineer," continued Mr. Holmes, "selects the most modern and perfect engines to run the train, and the engineers for the pilot engine and royal train are the most experienced and steady men in the service of the company.

The royal train is fitted throughout with electrical communication in order to call the attention of the guards in charge of the train should necessity require it, and experienced artificers travel with the train in order to carry out any repairs should such by any chance be found necessary.

The royal train is invariably in charge of the chief traffic officer of the company, and the guards are the chief travelling inspectors—veterans in the service—who know every inch of the road, are acquainted with every signal and pair of points on the journey, and in most cases are men who have travelled with royal trains for many years past.

A telegraph instrument is always conveyed on the train, by means of which telegraphic communications can at once be established at any place, in case of need, and competent telegraph linemen and telephone clerks are also carried.

Plateayers are provided at all level crossings at which regular gatemen are not stationed, the gates are carefully padlocked, and nothing is allowed to cross the line for one full hour before the pilot engine is due until the royal train has safely passed."



Photo by Princess Alice at five years. [Russell & Sons.]



Photos by PRINCESS MARGARET OF CONNAUGHT.
One of the five bridesmaids, who will wear pale blue crepe de Chine.



PRINCESS PATRICIA OF CONNAUGHT.
She is to be a bridesmaid as well as her elder sister. [Lafayette.]

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THE PROFESSION OF ACTING RUNS IN FAMILIES.

FRED LESLIE, JUN.



Fred Leslie, Jun., is to appear for the first time in the "Love Birds" at the Savoy to-night, and if he proves himself a worthy son of his father, he should have a successful future before him.

Two Clever Sons of Two Clever Old-time Gaiety Favourites.

To-night is a night of happy anticipation for playgoers. Twelve years ago, when Fred Leslie died, musical comedy was bereaved. To-night Fred Leslie reappears in the person of his son. Will he fill the still vacant place?

"The Love Birds," Messrs. George Grossmith and Raymond Rose's new musical piece at the

Savoy, is the scene of this interesting débüt. The possibilities which to-night may bring are bright indeed.

Nellie Farren has left the stage, but her old spirit of fun and comedy is seen in her son, Farren Soutar. Fred Leslie has gone, but once more the name is back on the stage.

There is no fighting against fate. Fred Leslie, junior, ignored his obvious destiny, and decided upon a life of comparative obscurity, but fate has taken her revenge and he has given in. Farren Soutar, too, fought against his destiny, though

MISS NELLIE FARREN.



The old Gaiety is gone and a new theatre has sprung up in its stead, but no one can take Nellie Farren's place in the hearts of the lovers of burlesque. Since she and Fred Leslie ceased playing together at the old Gaiety, no pair of players have been able to keep up such an unbroken tradition. (Photo by ...)

he did not go so far as to try to keep away from the stage. He contented himself with an attempt to be a tragedian. Perhaps it was only a youthful escapade on his part, but fate was inexorable, and comedy in the end claimed her own.

"There is really nothing to say about me," modestly remarked Mr. Leslie, when a *Daily Illustrated Mirror* interviewer inconsiderately cornered him during an interval of a rehearsal of "The Love Birds."

"As this is my first professional appearance, I

death. He was then engaged at the Gaiety in "Cinder-Ellen" playing a part set down in the programme as "A Servant." How the boy waited with laughter at his portentous gravity, his reiterated exclamation "Empty!" as he was waiting at dinner, calmly removed the freshly opened champagne from before his thirsty host tickled everybody with the mock earnestness and fervour of his dumb show "recitation" while the band with discordant chimes sounded the words he was supposed to be delivering! And then, in his great song later in the piece, "Little Glass," he showed how much more he was than a mere comedian, and the audience were lashed into almost reverent silence by the unrestrained pathos of his acting. Yes, "A Servant" was perhaps the greatest, as it was the last, of his great Gaiety impersonations.

Fred Leslie's big opportunity came in 1892, when he took the town by storm with his "Rip" in London and Planquette's "Rip Van Winkle." Then there were other celebrated impersonations: Jonathan Wild, in "Little Jack Sheppard," the Monster, in "Frankenstein," and Noirtier, in "Monte Cristo, Junior."

Nellie's Light-hearted Son.

Only a little way east of the *Chinese Moon*, Farren's son is playing in "The Chinese Moon" at the Strand Theatre.

He, too, was unable to escape our interviewer.

"I intended originally to appear in the legitimate drama," said he, "but destiny led me into musical comedy. My first engagement was with the Elephant and Castle in a stock season, and I joined Clarence Holt for a repertoire tour. An offer from Mr. George Edwards to play 'The Girl,' however, tempted me from my 'legitimate' and, not without some misgivings, ambitions, I gave up my idea of becoming a tragedian, and went in for endeavouring to please people in that light-hearted and irreverent form of production known as 'musical comedy.' I have appeared in 'The Geisha,' 'An Artist's Model,' 'San Toy,' and 'The Girl from Up There.' I was last in America. For a time I returned to drama, then to the videlicet, in 'The Great Millionaire,' and I am also engaged for the piece which is to follow."

DANCERS' DEFIA.

How Swiss Maskers Made Fun of an Objectionable Police Regulation.

The Cantonal authorities of Schwyz, our General correspondent states, have finally failed in an attempt to restrict public dances at balls in a public establishment; we



FRED LESLIE, SENIOR,
Who acted with Nellie Farren at the old Gaiety so long and so popularly.
(Photo by the London Stereoscopic Co.)

MR. FARREN SOUTAR.



Miss Nellie Farren's son, who has made a remarkable success in "The Chinese Moon" at the Strand Theatre, a play which has run longer than any other at present in London. With Miss Marie Dainton he does some wonderful bits of burlesque dancing. (Photo by Ellis & Waterbury.)

have not managed to acquire any interesting reminiscences—yet. Of course, I have always had a leaning towards the stage, though for some time I was in business with my uncle. However, I had to act, but the only taste of it I got was as an amateur. I played chiefly with the Blackheath Amateur Opera Society, under the name of "Leslie Hobson."

Mr. Leslie was educated abroad, and is still only twenty-three years old. He has, consequently, plenty of time in which to follow in his father's footsteps, for the great Fred Leslie was only thirty-six when London was shocked by the news that he was suffering from an attack of typhoid, and shortly after, on a dismal December morning in 1892, the newspaper placards announced his

—on New Year's Day. Many questions lay between the police and the inhabitants of the village, and the latter determined to call in representatives of the law. A grand meeting was announced the other day, and the authorities, fearing trouble, reinforced the police.

On the evening of the event, while the police were at dinner, the villagers had gathered in the station. Then the young men and women donned their costumes in masks, and, conducted by an orchestra, danced in front of the police to their heart's content while the police helplessly looked on from the upper windows of the police-station.

Next day the objectionable order was withdrawn, and peace reigns again in the village.



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MARRIAGE TO-D

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THE ROYAL BRIDE.

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Princess Alice of Albany, who is to be married to Prince Alexander of Teck, has always allowed the modes in their simplest and most charming manner, and her wedding dress, exquisitely beautiful as it is, has for its dominant note a reproduction of the salient features of fashion at this moment.

It is made of satin charmeuse, a fabric with all the softness and exquisite suppleness of chiffon and sheen of satin. Over a petticoat banded with bands of white chiffon roses fringed deeply with venetian fringe comes an over-dress less conveniently trimmed with rings of roses intertwined with true lovers knots of white velvet ribbon.

Veil of Historic Interest.

The Court train is decorated in the same way, which is almost covered by a Honiton lace veil, which, in accordance with royal precedent, is to be worn hanging at the back of the head, and not covering the face. It flows beneath a diadem of almond wheat ears and a knot of orange blossom and clematis, which flowers are seen on the toilette in the form of a garland stretching from the left shoulder to the waist-line of the corsage and down the right side of the skirt. The Princess is to wear almond and pearl ornaments that belonged to the Duchess of Teck, and have been presented to her future husband, Prince Alexander. These will be her bare throat, for her corsage is, like that of all royal brides, made décolleté; but not very low, in accordance with the Duchess of Albany's desire, the outline of the bodice being filled with diamanté tulle, of which fabric the bustle is composed.

It is in accordance with royal precedence also that the young bride will leave Windsor Castle for her honeymoon in white cloth. As the gown is a winter journey it is trimmed with the palest yellow fur. She arrived at Windsor Castle for the wedding festivities on Monday in a grey dress relieved with turquoise blue and a hat to match.

The Bride's Favourite Colour.

The Duchess of Albany has most thoughtfully distributed her orders for her daughter's trousseau between London, Kingston, and Germany, bestowing several marks of favour upon the dressmaker at Kingston, who has made various gowns, a large proportion of the trousseau lingerie, and many hats for the young Princess. Amongst the frocks figures an afternoon dress of tussore silk in the natural colour, which has a full bodice and a little pelmet cap, touched with pale blue velvet, and bordered with fishnet fringe, which also appears upon the dress; it is understood, will go to Cooee, where the second part of the honeymoon will be spent.

The Princess's favourite colour is red, as some very red millinery testifies; but pale-blue figures very largely in the trousseau, and is sure to suit the fair beauty of the young bride. The blouses will wear with her coat and skirt costumes are almost all white ones, many of them made of washingsilk, inserted with lace and embroidery, the quality of which is a marvel of beauty, simple white flannel shirts,

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Waistcoat for Luck.

Amongst her heavy wraps is a grey cloth travel-

linen coat, lined in a novel manner with Tibet

skin rarely used for this purpose. In

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OUR NEW FEUILLETON

THE PATH OF THE PRODIGAL.

A STORY OF THE "NEVER-NEVER LAND."

By WILSON BARRETT,

Actor-Manager and Author of
"The Sign of the Cross," etc.

CHAPTER XXII. (continued).

"Never been to Chicago," said Tom.
"That so? Gee-whizz! You're never going back to U-ropes without seein' the greatest city on earth."

"Fear I must," replied Tom.

"Sir, no man's lived until he's seen Chicago. No, sir. It's no use talkin'-there's nothing like her. She's just the biggest thing on earth, is old Chicago."

"Not so old, neither," said Tom.

"That's so," acquiesced Hiram. "Why, sir, there's men living there now, who remember Chicago when she was a baby of a place, with half a dozen wood cabins, and the only amusement the inhabitants had was an old fiddle, played by a little Frenchman, on the lake shore. That's so. See it now in the Calumet Club. Then she ran along until that blamed old cow kicked over the kerosene lamp, and burned her down. We just had to begin her all over again. And we did. And now—gee-whiz! Next census she'll tot up to six millions." Yes, sir—Chicago scoops the con-

"Sorry I can't see her," said Tom.

"See here—I go back Monday. Come right along. I'll fix you up at my house, 2041, Calumet. Built it myself. Call it 'Five-cent Flinders. Makes folk talk and be funny about me. Let 'em. More talk, more business for me."

"Married?"

"I beg your pardon?"

"Some, I'm married. Yes, sir, and she fills the bill done, Mrs. Flinders. Every time, sir, every time. You should see Mrs. Hiram A. Flinders. Say, will you come along, Monday? Now do. It'll be jolly, if you will. You'll have the best time you ever struck. Bring your friend along. Mrs. H. A. Flinders will be glad to see you, sir; an' I'll take half a day off and tot you round. Show you my store, Armer's Work-pack ing Establishment, Pullman City, the Auditorium, Marshal Field's and the tallest blocks in the world, thirty-two storey sky-scrappers. Eh? It's no use talking—Chicago swallows the sun. Say, you'll both come along Monday?"

"You're very kind, Mr. Flinders," answered Jack, "but we've missed the Cunarder, and must sail on the Majestic on Wednesday."

"That so? Well, I'm real sorry. I'm hurt that you haven't seen Chicago. She's an education, sir."

"I have seen her, ten years ago," Jack answered.
"You don't say—my; but ten years ago—and now. You'd never know her, sir. She's grown out of sight."

"I thought she was a great city then."

"Not a circumstance to what she is now, sir. Didn't amount to a row o' beans. She's co-lossal, sir; she's just co-lossal!" And so the bright fellow rattled on—proud of his native city, never tired of sounding its praises.

They were running into the Jersey City depot. The conductor had dusted them all carefully with his swish brush, as though they were so many articles for sale in a shop window. Their baggage was checked through to the Waldorf Hotel, New York, so, without worry or delay, they were soon on the ferry boat, crossing the river for Courtland-street. Arriving there, Mr. Hiram A. Flinders said:

"Now, say, is there anything I can do for you fellows? Say right here. You owe Hiram A. Flinders, if there's anything you want."

"No, thanks; you've been very kind already. Again, thanks," replied Jack.

Mr. Flinders shook hands warmly, ran after a car, caught it, stood with some other dozen busy men, packed like sardines on the steps of the over-crowded vehicle, and was soon rattling along in a discussion on the relative merits of "Noo" York and Chicago with a New York friend who was on the car.

There goes a man typical of his class. Keen, bright, proud of his city, his country, and his business. No shame for his humble beginning, indeed, glorying in it. And there are millions more like him. Men who think no toll too great, no personal sacrifice too heavy that helps to build up their trade, and who building up that, help to build up their nation."

"By Jove!—What a clatter!" exclaimed Tom, putting his hands to his ears as they turned into Broadway. "What a row."

And, indeed, to the two men lately from the great bush and the ocean, the roar of the streets was almost deafening.

Jack had a call to make in Broadway. The office was the twenty-second storey of a twenty-six storey block. Entering the passage he saw four electric elevators, or lifts. "Express!" shouted the conductor of one. "Slow!" the other. The express went up to the sixteenth floor without a stop. The slow paused at each landing. Jack and Tom entered the express.

It was at once thronged with passengers. The iron gates were slammed to with a clash, and, without warning, the passengers were shot up like a stone from a catapult. Sixteen storeys without a pause. Jack and Tom felt the breath leave their bodies. Up and up they went to the twenty-

"Where is Hooper & Co.'s office?" Jack asked of the conductor.

"Sixth door, passage to right." And almost before they were out of the lift it was on its way up the floor twenty-five.

"Phew, thought Tom. "Where am I? Am I a man, bullet, or an electric current? 'Gee-whizz,' as Hiram says, I was never so catapulted in my life before."

Hooper's office was found, and Jack's business transacted.

"What a wonderful view you have here, Mr. Hooper."

"Ya-as, so I suppose. Not much time for looking round for views in this office, though, I cept

Sundays—and then we're not here." And he turned to the next client.

Jack and Tom left the office and studied the view from the window on the landing. From this they could see nearly the whole of Manhattan Island, the river encircling it like a broad band of blue and white. On the roofs of the houses the snow was still lying—dirty and black. Huge buildings of sixteen storeys looked dwarfed in the streets below them; the vehicles like toys, the human beings like mice. Long lines of pigmy traffic crawled along the thoroughfares. The elevated railway trains rushed in and out, threading the streets, turning abrupt corners so close to the houses that the passengers could see right into the rooms, and almost shake hands with the occupants. The river was crowded with all sorts of shipping, the steamers and ferry-boats gliding along, sounding their moaning, mournful steam-whistles. Ocean-going vessels moved solemnly and majestically along; white-sailed yachts skimmed lightly over the waters. Life everywhere—busy, bustling, struggling, striving, overdriven, overstrained life.

Entering the elevator, Jack and his friend were shot down as rapidly as they were shot up the building, and, with a queer thrill, through the spiral cords, they found themselves once more on the pavement of Broadway.

Crossing the road at the peril of their lives, dodging lorries, cabs, huge wagons, and the ever-rushing up and down lines of the cars, Jack entered the office of the Commercial Cable Company, and dispatching messages to Lady Walgrave and Sybil telling them that they had missed the Cunard liner and intended sailing on the Majestic on the following Wednesday. Getting into their cab again they were bumped and jolted up Broadway, through Union and Madison-squares, turning off into Fifth-avenue to the magnificent Waldorf Hotel.

Having two days and a half, they had ample time to get a good general idea of New York and its surroundings. Jack dearly wished to take a run down to classical and beautiful Boston, which he had visited ten years before; but time would not admit of it. Tom was simply amazed, as most Englishmen are, at the greatness of New York.

On the Wednesday, a little after noon, Jack and Tom went on board the Majestic, inspected their cabins, and came on deck to watch the dense throngs that filled every available corner of the promenade and saloon, friends and relations of the passengers, journalists, curiosity-hunters, business men, having a last look over matters, and giving final instructions to their agents, and the passengers themselves so crowded the boat that progress was almost impossible, except by using actual force. For a time, Jack did not see a face he knew, but Tom, who had been on the lookout for Miss D'Olan and her mother, suddenly nudged his elbow as they leant over the ship's rail, and whispered:

"There she is, Jack."

As it happened, Jack was thinking of Sibyl, and he gave a start at Tom's remark, asking hurriedly:

"Whom do you mean?"

Tom noticed Jack's movement at his remark, and misconstrued it, thinking, after all, Jack was more interested in Mamie than he had assumed to be. So he watched him narrowly as he replied:

"Miss D'Olan, of course."

Jack turned in the direction in which Tom was looking, and saw Mamie surrounded by a wide lot of friends, male and female. Some of the former wore a worried, anxious look as they watched Mamie that betokened a warmer interest in her than that of a friend or a brother. They were all gentlemanly, clever-looking men; but to no one did Mamie show any particular favour. Indeed, her eyes had wandered often from them all to where Jack was standing. She had seen him from the time he crossed the gangway, long before Tom saw her, and her cheek had flushed with pleasure, which one of her admirers attributed, all wrongfully, to the remark he had made to her.

"Miss D'Olan, of course."

He was not far out. She was, as always, delightfully dressed, in a tailor-cut, tight-fitting travelling dress of navy blue soft cloth which clung tightly to all the curves of her lovely figure, and a Tam-o'-Shanter hat of the same material with a black cock's feather fastened by a small gold buckle and a narrow rim of sable fur round the brim. Small gold buttons and a narrow gold belt were all the trimmings on the dress, while a large bunch of forget-me-nots, given by a girl friend, were thrust into her waist-band. Her face was fresh and radiant. Her hair shone in the bright spring sunshine. Her hands were thrust into a small sleeve muff, on which another girl friend was pinning a small bunch of purple and orange pansies. She wore no visible jewellery or ornaments of any kind, but looked what she was—every inch a lady and a sweet, good woman.

A very distinguished-looking man, of about forty-five, was standing by her side, looking at her with loving solicitude, and to her he turned every now and then, giving a little affectionate squeeze of his arm, and nestling up to him with an unaffected look of love in her sweet eyes that some of the men at the hotel would have given half their fortune to be the recipients of. This was her father, Colonel Nathaniel D'Olan, a Southerner, who had served as a mere boy in the last days of the struggle with the North, and had seen his father and only brother fall fighting by his side. When the war was ended he went north, and by his brilliant talents soon won a position that a man ten years his senior might have been proud of.

He married at twenty-four the daughter of a wealthy railway magnate. She was about his own age. It was a pure love match, and their lives had passed in unclouded happiness. Mamie was their only child, and their love and care were lavished upon her in a manner that would have spoiled nine girls out of ten. Mamie was not of the kind to be ruined or spoiled by love or attention. It made

her more tender and loving, not only to her parents, but to all she came in contact with.

"Are you sure you have got all you want, girly?" her father asked gently.

"Quite sure, dear. More than I want, more than I shall know what to do with." And she placed her hand on his and pressed it. "And you're not to worry," she continued. "I'll take care of mamsey, and you'll come right along in three weeks, won't you?"

"Right along, if the old Longleash and Chickoo-poo Railway has to bust for it," he replied, half smiling and half in earnest. "This is the first time we've been parted—that is, by more distance than a ten hours' trip by rail—and I'm not quite sure I like it," he said rather ruefully. "All my family going—a lonely and unprotected old bachelor—and all these lovely girls around. How do I know what's going to happen?"

"Old bachelor, indeed; at the opera the other night I heard someone say, as we were walking around during the intermission, 'Those two seen mighty spoony together. Just married, I reckon!'" Mamie laughed to make her father smile, too, for she could not bear to see his dear face sad.

The warning to go ashore was given, and, with many a hearty handshake, many a kiss and embrace, the passengers and their friends parted. The great vessel left her moorings and slowly moved from the dock into the river. Mamie, with her mother, stood at the extreme end of the promenade, watching her father until completely out of sight; then, taking her mother tenderly in her arms, she led her to her room.

CHAPTER XXIII.

More About Mamie.

The harbour and the bay of New York are exceedingly beautiful, and as the sun set the views were most picturesque and delightful. For various reasons the decks were gradually deserted, and, drawing their deck-chairs into a corner, the two friends dropped into a quiet talk.

Jack's mind had been running on Sibyl all the day. Now that he had started for England, now that a week's journey stood between him and Mamie, he wondered what expression would cross her face if she knew what little claim he had to her name. Fortunately, some one else spoke to her just then, and she had to answer.

"I am glad, too," said Mamie, who seemed rather anxious to change the subject.

"Mr. Landale?" Jack felt the hot flush of shame rise to his cheeks as Mamie pronounced the name. It was the first time she had done so. He looked at her honest eyes, her truthful, clear noble face, and wondered what expression would cross them if she knew what little claim he had to her name. Fortunately, some one else spoke to her just then, and she had to answer.

The other seats at the table were filled up by the captain at the head, an elderly gentleman—a banker in New York—at the foot. Mamie sat next to the captain on one side, her mother on the other. Next to Jack, on his left hand, was Mr. Philip Blecker, a New York Judge, and next to Tom was a Philadelphia railway man, named Arthur Mariner—both clever, companionable fellows, as indeed most American gentlemen are. They had crossed on the Majestic before, and knew the Captain well. They also knew each other and Mrs. D'Olan and Mamie. Eriksson knew by name and reputation. The only strangers were the two Englishmen, Jack and Tom—of them they knew nothing.

"Glad to be off, Captain Campbell?" asked Mr. Mariner.

"Yes, and no," replied the captain. "I am always sorry to leave New York, but always glad to arrive in Liverpool."

"How happy could I be with either," said Tom. "Well, yes, I have many friends in New York, and a wife and family in Liverpool; so I am pulled both ways."

"Fall passenger list, I see," said the Judge. "Sorry your father's not along, Miss D'Olan."

"Indeed I do, and am proud of it," said Mamie. "My husband joins us in London in three weeks. As urgent railway business that he could not leave at others happened along at the last moment. As we had made several important engagements in England we could not wait for him. So we are, alone, now."

"Not alone, ma'am. You've every American gentleman on board this boat with you," said Jack.

"And every Britisher, too, I hope," said Tom. "If Miss D'Olan will permit them to consider themselves attendants."

"Why not?" asked Mamie.

"Why not, indeed?" said the Judge. "A real Anglo-American alliance for the protection and defence of our joint Queen, for the promotion of commerce, saluting Mamie's act of old-fashioned courtesy which everyone at the table followed."

"I am honoured, I am sure, Judge Bleeker," said Mamie, blushing deliciously. "But I shall make but a poor queen, I fear. I have had little experience as a ruler."

"My dear Miss D'Olan, you began to rule on the hour you first breathed. You were just born for that purpose, and no other; and that, usually, other monarch, your kingdom extends all over the world; whereas men are not blind and women not hateful, you are—"

"Please talk about the moon."

"If I knew her ladyship as well as I do, you, Miss D'Olan, I would. Unfortunately, I have only a bowing acquaintance with her, and that usually after a prolonged sitting at the table. I have not seen enough of her, or, perhaps, at times, too many of her, to be a good judge."

"Oh! you're always that," said Mr. Mariner.

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Jack. Jack did not see Mamie until noon next day, when she came on deck looking as lovely as ever, if a little pale. Her maid was waiting for her, carrying her wraps. Half-a-dozen men rushed forward; but she politely declined their assistance, and walked alone, with quiet composure, to her chair. Mamie hated the fussy attention, so many women seem to find such delight in. She was grateful for any real service rendered her, and liked to be admired. She would not have been a woman if she did not. But the good opinion of a few intellectual men or women pleased her far more than the fulsome adulation of a score of small admirers. She seldom received an affront, however, because, perhaps, she was never on the lookout for cool; but a warmer heart never beat in a human body for those she knew and cared for.

"You will not get her scorn and contempt, or

any other woman's if it comes to that. You're not built that way."

As they descended the deck they met Wong, who said:—

"Clabin alle ready."

He had unpacked, and everything was in order for the two men when they went to dress about a little as she passed Long Island, and the dinner tables were only moderately well attended. Jack found, to his surprise and pleasure, that he had been placed at the captain's table, next to Miss D'Olan. How this was arranged, perhaps, he astute and obliging Mr. Hustle, the purser, and the fair Mamie could explain. At all events, it was after a little alteration had been made in the table plans. Can it be possible that it was through Mamie's suggestion?

Tom sat opposite, next to Mrs. D'Olan, whom he kept in a constant ripple of laughter by his humour and good spirits. Jack greeted Mamie with real friendliness, and expressed his unfeigned delight at having her next to him.

"I am glad, too," said Mamie, quietly, with a glance towards Mr. Hustle. Perhaps, after all, she was to keep some other less agreeable person away from her that she spoke to that amiable gentleman. Who can tell? The ways of women are devious and strange. Weak men can only conjecture the motives which prompt them.

"Once a lucky accident for me, at least," said Jack. "I wonder how it happened."

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